UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Specification — Total Pages 152
2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) — Total Pages 24
3. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney — Total Pages 3
   a. ☒ Unexecuted(original or copy)
   b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d)) *(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed) [Note Box 4 Below]*
      i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting Inventor(s) named in the prior appln. see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
4. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked) The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a Copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

5. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)
6. ☒ Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).
7. ☐ English Translation Document to follow *(if applicable)*
8. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
9. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
10. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) *(Should be specifically itemized)*
11. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior Application, Statement(s) Status still proper and desired
12. ☒ Certified copy(ies) of Japanese priority application(s) No(s). P2002-299563 filed October 11, 2002.

14. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, *check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:*

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) ☐ of application No:

CLAIMS AS FILED

(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) BASIC FEE $770.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	83	63	$18.00	$1,134.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	13	10	86.00	$860.00
	ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS? ☐ YES ☒ NO		290.00	
			TOTAL FEE	$2,764.00

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application, or credit any overpayment to ACCOUNT NO. 19-3140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ Please charge attorney's firm American Express Account No. 378571697401002 in the amount of $2,764.00 to cover the above fees. PTO Form 2038 is enclosed for that purpose.

☐ A check in the amount of $____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

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RE: New U.S. Application for Letters Patent entitled
"METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING ULTRA-THIN SEMICONDUCTOR CHIP AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING ULTRA-THIN BACK-ILLUMINATED SOLID-STATE IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE"
Applicant(s): Hideo Yamanaka
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Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application, including 83 claims (13 independent), 24 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1A-26) and the filing fee of $2,764.00 on behalf of

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and request that the application be assigned a serial number and filing date pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d).

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures